MINUTES OF THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

LABERTEW v. C&R FINANCIAL No. 07CV2092-W(LSP)

HON. LEO S. PAPAS CT. DEPUTY JENNIFER JARABEK Rptr. ________

Attorneys

Plaintiffs	Defendants
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A Settlement Conference will be held on October 1, 2008, at 2 p.m. All parties or their representatives who have full and unlimited authority to enter into a binding settlement, in addition to the attorneys participating in the litigation, shall be present at the conference. "Full authority to settle" means that the individuals at the settlement conference must be authorized to fully explore settlement options and to agree at that time to any settlement terms acceptable to the parties. Heileman Brewing Co., Inc. v. Joseph Oat Corp., 871 F.2d 648 (7th Cir. 1989). The person needs to have "unfettered discretion and authority" to change the settlement position of a party. Pitman v. Brinker Intl., Inc., 216 F.R.D. 481, 485-486 (D. Ariz. 2003). The purpose of requiring a person with unlimited settlement authority to attend the conference includes that the person's view of the case may be altered during the face to face conference. Id. at 486. A limited or a sum certain of authority is not adequate. Nick v. Morgan's Foods, Inc., 270 F.3d 590 (8th Cir. 2001).

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DATED: August 15, 2008

Hon. Leo S. Papas
U.S. Magistrate Judge